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SUBJECT: MOTOROLA EXPO RADIOS

REF: STATE 049134

1. OUR LOCAL GUARD FORCE HAS BEEN USING THE MOTOROLA EXPO RADIOS WHICH THE POST PURCHASED USING END OF YEAR FUNDS SINCE APRIL 1986 AT THE RESIDENCES AND THE EMBASSY MAIN GATE. ALTHOUGH NOT USED EXTENSIVELY WITHIN BUILDINGS OR LARGE CROWDS, THEY ARE USED REGULARLY TO TRANSMIT AND RECEIVE FROM THE GUARD HOUSES AND AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE AND WERE USED DURING SEVERAL MAJOR EVENTS. THEY HAVE PROVEN VERY SATISFACTORY.

2. EQUIPPED WITH EITHER THE LIGHT DUTY OR MEDIUM DUTY BATTERY, THEY HAVE OUT PERFORMED THE OLDER GE, PE66'S WE HAVE AND ABOUT MATCH THE MX 330'S. BECAUSE OF THE LOW POWER, COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN UNITS APPEARS TO BE LIMITED TO ONE TO THREE MILES DEPENDING UPON THE SITUATION. HOWEVER, TRANSMISSION/RECEPTION BETWEEN THE UNIT AND THE BASE-STATION (MARINE POST #1) IS FIVE TO TEN MILES OR MORE.

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3. WE HAVE FOUND THAT WITH CONTINUING USE, I.E. AMBASSADOR'S AND DCM'S RESIDENCES, WHETHER WE ARE USING THE LIGHT DUTY OR MEDIUM DUTY BATTERIES, WE MUST RECHARGE THEM DAILY FOR EFFECTIVE OPERATIONS.

4. WITHIN THE PAST YEAR OF OPERATIONS AND CONSTANT

USE, ONE RADIO OF EIGHT HAS REQUIRED MAINTENANCE.

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